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BUILDING ACT 1972

DETERMINATION OF FEES

DETERMINATION NO. 176 OF 1993

Under Section 65 of the *Building Act 1972*, I REVOKE Determination of Fees Notices Nos. 87 and 88 of 29 June 1993 published in the Australian Capital Gazette No. S127 of 1 July 1993.

I DETERMINE that the fees payable for the purposes of the Act shall be in accordance with the attached Schedule.

Dated the *twenty second* day of *December* 1993.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Connolly'.

TERENCE CONNOLLY  
Minister for Urban Services

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Section of the Building Act 1972	Description of matter in respect of which fee is payable	Fee Payable \$
15(4)	1. <b>ASSESSMENT AND EXAMINATION FEE - BUILDERS' LICENCES</b>	
	(a) Where an applicant is not the holder of a builder's licence -	
	(i) if the applicant is a company or partnership	\$180.00
	(ii) if the applicant has the qualifications prescribed in Sections 16(2)(a) or (b), (3)(a) or (b) or (4)(a) or (b) relevant to the licence applied for	\$125.00
	(iii) if the applicant does not fall within category (i) or (ii) above	\$300.00
	(b) Where the applicant who is the holder of a builder's licence applies for a different class of licence or a different endorsement under Section 14(6A)	\$130.00
	(c) Where an applicant withdraws his or her application after the assessment has begun but before a final decision is made	50% of fee
17(6)	2. <b>LICENCE FEES - BUILDERS</b>	
	(a) Where the period of the licence is for -	
	(i) 1 year or less	\$270.00
	(ii) an extension up to 3 years of a licence valid for 1 year or less - per month	\$23.00
	(iii) 2 years	\$470.00
	(iv) 3 years	\$680.00

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39(1)(b)	<b>3. OWNER-BUILDER PERMITS ASSESSMENT FEE</b>	
	(a) All applicants	\$130.00
	(b) Where an applicant withdraws his or her application after the assessment has begun but before a final decision is made	50% of fee
31(2)	<b>4. APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS SUBMITTED AFTER 30 JUNE 1993</b>	
	(a) <i>New residences, units and townhouses where the cost of the building work is -</i>	
	(i) \$0 to \$50,000	\$206.00 plus 0.41% of cost over \$10,000
	(ii) \$50,001 to \$100,000	\$370.00 plus 0.69% of cost over \$50,000
	(iii) more than \$100,000	\$721.00 plus 0.49% of cost over \$100,000
	(b) Commercial building work, with the exception of that provided for in paragraph 4(c), where the cost of the building work is -	
	(i) \$0 to \$75,000	\$124.00 plus 0.61% of cost over \$10,000
	(ii) \$75,001 to \$320,000	\$525.00 plus 0.25% of cost over \$75,000
	(iii) \$320,001 to \$1,300,000	\$1,130.00 plus 0.12% of cost over \$320,000
	(iv) more than \$1,300,000	\$2,342.00 plus 0.061% of cost over \$1,300,000

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	(c) New commercial building work in existing approved buildings where the cost of the building work is –	
	(i) \$0 to \$75,000	\$124.00 plus 0.91% of cost over \$5,000
	(ii) \$75,001 to \$320,000	\$773.00 plus 0.49% of cost over \$75,000
	(iii) \$320,001 to \$1,300,000	\$1,984.00 plus 0.25% of cost over \$320,000
	(iv) more than \$1,300,000	\$4,410.00 plus 0.12% of cost over \$1,300,000
	(d) Existing unapproved commercial building work	1.6 times the normal rate
33A(3)	<b>5. APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD OF CURRENCY OF APPROVED PLANS</b>	
	(a) Residential work	10% of original fee (minimum per application \$47.00)
	(b) Commercial work	10% of original fee (minimum per application \$90.00)
31(2)	<b>6. APPLICATION FOR THE AMENDMENT OF PLANS</b>	
	(a) Where the cost is increased –	
	(i) residential building work minimum	\$42.00

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(ii) commercial building work minimum \$64.00

plus an amount equal to the difference between the fees paid in accordance with clause 4 and the fee that would have been payable in accordance with that clause if the amended plans had been submitted for approval as original plans

(b) Where the amendment does not involve the examination of the plans and does not alter the value of work done to ascertain the structural sufficiency, stability and safety of the remainder of the building –

(i) residential building work \$42.00

(ii) commercial building work \$64.00

(c) Where the amendment involves the examination of the plans or alters the value of work done to ascertain the structural sufficiency, stability and safety of the remainder of the building –

(i) residential building work \$42.00

(ii) commercial building work  
 first amendment \$44.00  
 each additional amendment in the one lodgement \$28.00

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**7. SYSTEM LICENCES**

42C(2)(d) (a) Application for a System Licence \$200.00

42F(2)(c) (b) Renewal of a System Licence \$200.00

42G(2)(d) (c) Transfer of a System Licence \$50.00

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**8. BUILDING PERMITS**

(a) Building work to be carried out under section 46 \$100.00 or 1.0% of the cost of the work, whichever is the greater

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| (b) New residences, units and townhouses with a residential building approval in place as at 30 June 1993 and where the cost of the building work is –  |  |
| (i) \$0 to \$110,000  | \$106.00 plus<br>0.32% of<br>cost over<br>\$10,000   |
| (ii) more than \$110,000  | \$425.00 plus<br>0.22% of<br>cost over<br>\$110,000  |
| (c) Residential building work – garages, carports, fences, retaining walls, masts, antennae, ornamental ponds, advertising devices, notices, signs, alterations or additions to buildings – where the cost of the building work is \$0 to \$110,000 | \$106.00 plus<br>0.63% of<br>cost over<br>\$10,000   |
| (d) Residential building work – swimming pools and associated fences, gates, decks and concourses – where the cost of the building work is –  |  |
| (i) \$0 to \$5,000  | \$64.00  |
| (ii) \$5,001 to \$20,000  | \$106.00   |
| (iii) more than \$20,000  | \$160.00   |
| (e) Residential building work – owner-builder surcharge   | Fee payable<br>plus \$42.00<br>for each<br>standard<br>inspection<br>required –<br>minimum<br>\$79.00 (not<br>to exceed<br>twice fee<br>payable) |
| (f) Existing residential building work for which no permit had previously been issued   | 1.6 times fee<br>payable –<br>minimum<br>\$70.00   |
| (g) Commercial building work, including new work in existing approved buildings, where the value of the building work is –  |  |

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	(i) \$0 to \$75,000	\$124.00 plus 0.61% of cost over \$10,000
	(ii) \$75,001 to \$320,000	\$525.00 plus 0.25% of cost over \$75,000
	(iii) \$320,001 to \$1,300,000	\$1,130.00 plus 0.12% of cost over \$320,000
	(iv) more than \$1,300,000	\$2,342.00 plus 0.061% of cost over \$1,300,000
	(h) Existing commercial building work for which no permit had previously been issued	1.6 times the fee payable - minimum \$70.00
	(i) Assessment and notification of commercial building work not requiring approval, including any statements	\$30.00
41(2)	<b>9. Extension of Building Permits</b>	
	(a) First six months	\$42.00
	(b) Each subsequent three months or part thereof	\$42.00
Roads and Public Places Act 1937 15E(1)	<b>10. UNLEASED LAND</b>	
	(a) Use of unleased land, subject to a licence agreement -	
	(i) within major commercial areas - per square metre per week	\$2.20
	(ii) in other commercial sites - per square metre per week	\$1.10
	(iii) in residential sites - per quarter	\$21.60
	(b) Use of air space over unleased land	half the rate noted for unleased land

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### ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS

#### 11. PLANS OR AMENDMENTS THAT DEPART FROM THE BUILDING CODE

- (a) Approval of plans or an amendment of plans where the plans or the amendment include a matter the acceptable requirements and standards of which are not set out in the Building Code -

(i) residential building work	\$64.00
(ii) commercial building work	\$160.00

*in addition to any other fee that is payable*

- (b) Issuing of certificate of accreditation stating that the *properties and performance of a building material or method of construction or design fulfil specific requirements of the Building Code including standard plans -*

(i) residential building work	\$227.00
(ii) commercial building work	\$227.00

- (c) Renewal of certificate of accreditation -

(i) residential building work	\$103.00
(ii) commercial building work	\$103.00

#### 12. CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY

"Partial Occupancy", inspection and issue of certificate to an applicant under Section 53(2), (3), (6), (10) or (11) -

(a) Residential building work	\$58.00
(b) Commercial building work - per half hour	\$32.00 (minimum \$84.00)

#### 13. INSPECTION SURCHARGES

(a) Failed inspection and re-book	\$53.00
(b) Booked inspection - not ready	\$32.00
(c) Booked inspection - access not available	\$32.00



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(d) Booked inspection – cancelled on day of inspection	\$32.00
(e) Inspections done outside normal working hours	\$106.00
(f) Partial inspection of stage –	
(i) residential building work	\$42.00
(ii) commercial building work with the initial inspection of each step included in Permit	\$64.00 or \$32.00 per half hour, whichever is the greater
(g) "On-site" approval of minor amendments – per half hour	\$37.00 (minimum \$37.00)
(h) Stop Notice under Section 43(1)	\$58.00
(i) Notice to carry out building work under Section 46(1) –	
(i) residential building work	\$42.00
(ii) commercial building work – per half hour or part thereof	\$32.00 (minimum \$84.00)

#### 14. SEARCH OF BUILDING FILES

(a) File retrieval –	
(i) written request	
. first two documents	\$15.45
. each subsequent document	\$5.15
(ii) telephone request (surcharge on all other fees)	\$10.30
(b) Certified copy of document (surcharge on all other fees) –	
(i) first two documents	\$15.45
(ii) each subsequent document	\$5.15
(c) File retrieval and search by lessee or authorised person	\$15.45
(d) File retrieval and staff-assisted search	\$21.60
(e) File retrieval and search and written statement signed by Building Controller	\$36.00
(f) Multiple-file and large-project surcharge – per half hour or part thereof	\$25.75

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(g) Photocopying (plans and drawings from building files and multiple copies of originals) –	
(i) up to A2 size per sheet	\$5.15
(ii) over A2 size per sheet	\$7.20
(iii) other documents per sheet	\$1.00
(h) Comprehensive written history with copies of relevant major documents – per half hour	\$25.75
(i) Preparation of documents for legal matters – per half hour	\$31.00

#### 15. REGISTER OF LICENCE HOLDERS

(a) Counter inspection of the Register	\$16.50
(b) Printed permit history of a builder	\$23.00

#### 16. CONSULTANCY SERVICES

Structural Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Building Surveying, Miscellaneous, Unit Title Assessment –

(a) residential building work – per hour	\$60.00 (minimum \$60.00)
(b) commercial building work – per hour	\$80.00 (minimum \$80.00)

#### 17. SALE OF TECHNICAL INFORMATION

(a) Building Code	RRP
(b) Amendments to Building Code	RRP
(c) Building Act	\$20.00
(d) Building Notes (set in binder)	\$10.00
(e) Building Notes (single page)	\$0.00
(f) Standards Bulletin – per copy	\$1.00

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**18. BUILDING STATISTICS PER YEAR**

(a) Permit holders (weekly listing)	\$320.00
(b) Numerical report (monthly/quarterly/annually)	\$106.00
(c) Numerical and graphical reports	\$320.00

**19. PLAN AMENDMENTS - REFUNDS**

If the cost of building work is reduced, a refund is payable, less a fee to cover the cost of processing, including plans that are refused by the ACT Planning Authority

(a) The refund for residential work "may" be all fees in excess of	\$33.00
(b) The refund for commercial work "may" be all fees in excess of	\$65.00